Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

October 2012

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Battle of New Orleans talk 2:45pm CB

ranger talk 2:45pm ACC

historic Thibodaux walking tour 2:00pm WACC **special exhibits** see listings on back

FQ – French Quarter Visitor Center, New Orleans PACC – Prairie Acadian Cultural Center, Eunice

WACC - Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center, Thibodaux

Calendar Listings

Bat program 6:00-8:00pm – Get to know the creatures of the night with bat researcher Dr. Craig Hood of Loyola University. Bat-spotting with special bat detection equipment will let you see the flyers for yourself! Free but space limited so reservations required.. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10.

Cajun music jam 5:30-7:00pm – Sit in with local musicians or just enjoy! Free. Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center, 314 Saint Mary St., Thibodaux, 985-448-1375.

Canoe trek 9:30am-noon – Paddle the preserve's waterways on a ranger-guided trek. Free but space limited; call for reservations and canoe rental information. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10.

Cercle Francophone 5:30-7:00pm – Come pass a good time speaking French (Cajun or otherwise) and help preserve French in Louisiana. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

Dulcimer jam 10:00-11:30am – Join the Cajun Dulcimer Society and its core group, the Lagniappe Dulcimer Society from Baton Rouge for dulcimer music: Cajun, country, Celtic, folk, and hymns. Bring an acoustic instrument and join in or just enjoy. Free. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789 ext. 11.

Expanding Horizons kids program 10:00am-2:00pm – With "Blooming on the Bayou - Fall Edition," discover local plants through outdoor activities, crafts, and fun. For kids aged 6-12 (parents welcome too!) Free but space limited so reservations required. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10.

Folklife demonstrations 3:00-6:00pm – Discover the Cajun way of music, dancing, quilting, and more. Free. Prairie Acadian Cultural Center, 250 West Park Avenue, Eunice, 337-457-8499.

Paddling 101 – Basic canoeing for ages 8 and up. Canoes and all equipment provided. Free but space limited so reservations required. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789 ext. 11.

Rendez-vous des Cajuns 6:00pm – At Liberty Theater next door to center. Live Cajun and zydeco music. **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center**, 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-8499. Call the theater at 337-457-7389 for ticket information.

Tour Bayou Lafourche by boat 10:00am – Ranger-guided cruise along Bayou Lafourche to Madewood Plantation (Friday and Saturday) or E.D. White Plantation Home (Wednesday). Through December 15. Call for reservations and ticket prices. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

Tour Bayou Vermilion by boat 10:30am – Ranger-guided cruise along Bayou Vermilion in a traditional Louisiana boat. Departs from Vermiilionville Heritage & Folklife Park, right next to the Acadian Cultural Center. Through November 24. Call Vermilionville at 337-233-4077 for reservations and ticket prices. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789.

Wetlands walk 10:00am – Explore wild Louisiana on a ranger-guided walk through swamp and marsh. Free. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10.

Wildflower walk 1:00pm – What's blooming at Barataria? Find out on a guided walk. Free but space limited so reservations required. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10

Special Exhibits

Latin American Heritage – Discover the Latin American heritage of Cajun country through craft items, historic objects, and art. Presented in partnership with Asociación Cultural Lationo-Acadiana. Through October 15. Free. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789 ext. 11.

For more information or upcoming months, visit www.nps.gov/jela/planyourvisit/events.htm

Every Day

Battle of New Orleans talk 2:45pm - Discover 1815's Battle of New Orleans on the battlefield where it happened. Time is approximate; talk takes place when *Creole Queen* excursion boat arrives. Free. **Chalmette Battlefield**, 8606 West St. Bernard Hwy., **Chalmette**, 504-281-0510.

Historic Thibodaux walking tour 2:00pm - Take a one-mile rangerguided walk through local history. Free. (WACC closed on Sunday; no tour.) **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

Ranger talk 2:45pm – Rangers share local history and culture. Free. Acadian Cultural Center, 501 Fisher Road, Lafayette, 337-232-0789 ext. 11.

Riverfront history stroll 9:30 am - Walk along the Mississippi River levee for a bird's eye view of the French Quarter and an overview of New Orleans history. 25 free tickets given out at 9:00am; first-come, first-served. **French Quarter Visitor Center**, 419 Decatur Street, **New Orleans**, 504-589-2636 ext. 1.